THE FLORIDA SENATE 2016 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED

Committee on Judiciary

HB 111 — Jury Service

by Rep. Combee and others (SB 206 by Senator Clemens)

This bill authorizes a person who is permanently incapable of caring for himself or herself to obtain a permanent exemption from jury service. To obtain the exemption, the person must make a written request that is accompanied by a letter from a physician verifying the permanent incapacity. Qualifying health conditions must relate to "mental illness, intellectual disability, senility, or other physical or mental incapacity." The award of the permanent exemption is subject to the discretion of the clerk of court.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect July 1, 2016.

Vote: Senate 37-0; House 117-0

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